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In the Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) Components for positioning first and second components that can be welded together, whereby the one component exhibits at least one circulatory embossing that protrudes beyond its first surface toward the connection surface of another component to which it will be welded, and that engages in a complementary recess in the connection surface of the other component and that can be pressed into the complimentary recess during a resistance welding process,

characterized in that

at least one of the components includes on one surface and spaced radially from the circulatory embossings additional embossings abutting the connection surface that limit the impression depth of the circulatory embossings of the one component into the recess of the other component such that the surfaces facing each other of the two components maintain a spaced distance from one another.

2. (Original) The components as set forth in claim 1, wherein the additional embossings each protrude by the same height beyond the surface of the associated component.

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3. (Original) The components as set forth in claim 1, wherein the

circulatory embossing exhibits a round circumferential contour and

engages in a round recess of the other component.

4. (Original) The components as set forth in claim 3, wherein the

round circumferential contour corresponds at least approximately

to the circumferential contour of a truncated cone.

5. (Original) The components as set forth in claim 1, wherein the

additional embossings are oblong fins.

6. (Original) The components as set forth in claim 1, wherein all

embossings are provided on the same surface of the same component

(1).

7. (Original) The components as set forth in claim 1, wherein the

first and second components are for use in vehicle seats.

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8. (Currently Amended) Components for positioning first and

second components that can be welded together, whereby the one

component exhibits at least one circulatory embossing that

protrudes beyond its first surface toward the connection surface

of another component to which it will be welded, and that engages

in a complementary recess in the connection surface of the other

component and that can be pressed into the complimentary recess

during a resistance welding process,

characterized in that

the one components includes on its first surface and spaced

radially from the circulatory embossings additional non-engaging

embossings that limit the impression depth of the circulatory

embossings of the one component into the recess of the other

component such that the surfaces facing each other of the two

components maintain a spaced distance from one another.